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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 94 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace claim 87 with amended claim 87 as follows:

87. (Amended) The emulsion according to claim 75, wherein the at least one oil

in the fatty phase further comprises a volatile isoparaffin.

<u>REMARKS</u>

I. <u>Status Of The Claims</u>

Claims 75-80, 82-93, and 96-108 are now pending in this application. Claim 94

been cancelled. Claim 87 has been amended to clarify that the at least one oil in the

fatty phase further comprises a volatile isoparaffin and does not replace the silicone oil

in the independent claim.

Accordingly, no new matter has been added by these amendments nor do these

amendments raise new issues or necessitate the undertaking of any additional search

of the art by the Examiner. Therefore, this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 should

allow for immediate action. The proposed amendments, moreover, place the claims in

condition for allowance or, at least, in better form for appeal, if necessary.

II. <u>Election/Restriction</u>

The Examiner states that claim 108 is directed to an invention that is

independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed, because "claims to a

method of introducing a solid water-in-oil emulsion in a cosmetic composition were not

originally presented." Office Action at page 2.

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